

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Robb Erickson
Mayor Pro-Tem Todd Arvidson
Councilmember Kelly Smith
Councilmember Lisa Swint
Councilmember Jesús Valdez
Councilmember Brian Reyes

Councilmembers Absent:

None

City Staff Present:

Ryan Rapelye, City Manager
Marisa Spencer, City Secretary
Cyndi Simmons, Assistant City Secretary
Ron Eberhardt, Chief of Police
Robyn Achu, Finance/HR Director
Linda Crosland, Library Director

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

With a quorum of the City Councilmembers present, Mayor Erickson called the special meeting of the Garden Ridge City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Erickson led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

Mayor Erickson presented Councilmember Valdez with a laser engraved rosewood book clock from the City and thanked him for his service and dedication to the City.

3. Citizen Comment Period

No one signed up to speak.

4. Approvals and Authorizations

The following items are for discussion, consideration, and action.

a) Accept the resignation of Jim Mueller from the Water Commission.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Valdez, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to accept the resignation of Jim Mueller from the Water Commission. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

b) Canvass the results of the May 3, 2025, General Election and declare results of said election.

City Secretary Marisa Spencer reviewed the canvass reports prepared by Comal County Elections Office for the City of Garden Ridge General Election. She stated 952 ballots were cast in the May 3, 2025, General Election, equating to 25.81% voter turnout. She stated Lisa Swint received 52.68% of votes cast for Mayor, Jim Mueller received 67.73% of votes cast for Place Two, and Krendra Harralson was unopposed for Place Three.

Motion: A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Arvidson, seconded by Councilmember Swint, to approve the canvass and acceptance of the election results declaring Lisa Swint as Mayor, Jim Mueller as City Council Place Two, and Krendra Harralson as City Council Place Three. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

c) Issue Certificates of Election and Administer Oaths of Office to Lisa Swint for Mayor, Jim Mueller for City Council Place Two, and Krendra Harralson for City Council Place Three.

Mayor Erickson issued Certificates of Election and Oaths of Office were administered to Lisa Swint for Mayor, Jim Mueller for City Council Place Two, and Krendra Harralson for City Council Place Three.

Mayor Swint, Councilmember Mueller, and Councilmember Harralson took their place at the dais.

d) Election of Mayor Pro-Tem for a one-year period expiring May 2026.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Reyes, seconded by Councilmember Mueller, to elect Councilmember Arvidson as Mayor Pro-Tem for a one-year period expiring May 2026. During the discussion of the motion, Councilmember Reyes and Councilmember Mueller rescinded the motion.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Harralson, seconded by Councilmember Mueller, to elect Councilmember Smith as Mayor Pro-Tem for a one-year period expiring May 2026. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

e) Designation of authorized signers on bank accounts held by the City of Garden Ridge with First United Bank and TexPool.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Mueller, seconded by Councilmember Reyes, to designate Mayor Lisa Swint, Mayor Pro-Tem Kelly Smith, City Manager Ryan Rapelye, City Secretary Marisa Spencer, and Chief of Police Ron Eberhardt as authorized signers on bank accounts held by the City of Garden Ridge with First United Bank and TexPool. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

f) Announcement of reception immediately following adjournment.

Mayor Swint announced there will be a reception immediately following adjournment.

5. Citizen Comment Period

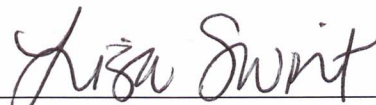
No one wished to speak.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Tuesday, May 13, 2025, City Council special meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m. by Mayor Swint.

ATTEST


Marisa Spencer
City Secretary



Lisa Swint
Mayor